



FY 2020-2021 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOURTH PROGRAM YEAR

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Executive Summary

AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)

1. Introduction

Cathedral City is located between the cities of Palm Springs and Rancho Mirage in the west end of the Coachella Valley approximately 115 miles from Los Angeles. Incorporated in 1981, development in the City began in 1925 as a housing subdivision of Palm Springs. The City is currently the second most populous city in the Coachella Valley.

Although the Coachella Valley is known as a playground for the wealthy there are many residents at low-income levels, including senior citizens, large family households and single-parent households. These groups, plus continued diversification in demographics, have resulted in an increased need for housing resources. Potential conflicts among different groups can create fair housing and equal opportunity concerns. This report outlines Cathedral City's demographic profile, evaluates the housing needs for specific groups, and evaluates the housing units available. It also analyzes the conditions in the private and public market sectors that may hinder access to fair housing.

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and is authorized by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended. CDBG is one of the longest continuously run programs at HUD. The grant program provides communities with resources through annual grants on a formula basis to address a broad range of unique community development needs. The primary objective of CDBG is to enhance and maintain urban communities through the provision of decent housing, a suitable living environment and the expansion of economic opportunities predominantly for persons or households of low to moderate income.

2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

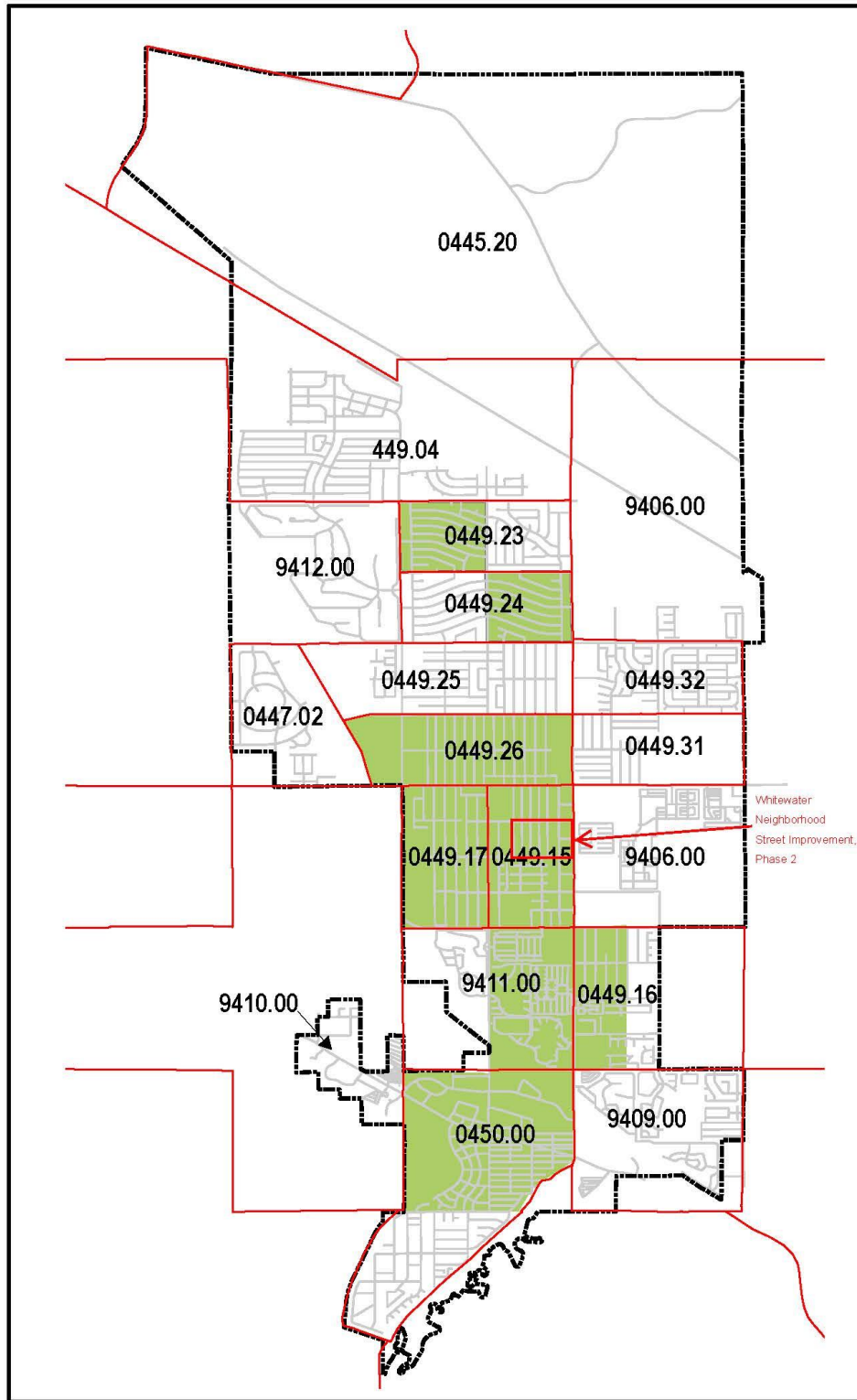
The FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan (AAP) is the fourth year of the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan. Cathedral City is an entitlement city that receives funding from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to assist in the development of sustainable communities by supporting projects that provide decent housing, sustainable living environments, and expansion of economic

opportunities for low to moderate income persons. The City is required to adopt an Annual Action Plan for the use of these funds which serves as the means to meet the application and submission requirements for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. Cathedral City does not receive ESG, HOME or HOPWA funding from HUD.

In fiscal year (FY) 2020-2021, the City's appropriation is **\$613,288**. As a result of the CARES Act enactment, the City was awarded an additional **\$360,777** to be used to fund activity that prevent, prepare for, and/or respond to COVID-19. This Annual Action Plan outlines activities that will be undertaken during the program year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending on June 30, 2021. These activities will benefit low to moderate income residents, neighborhoods that are designated Target Areas, and City wide benefits. The activities and programs selected by the City are consistent with the goals and objectives planned in the Five-Year Consolidated Plan. Furthermore, the projects and activities selected by the City meet the national objectives specified by HUD to create suitable living environments, accessibility, removal of slum or blight, and are of urgent need.

Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements, Phase 2:

For FY 2020-2021, Cathedral City is proposing public improvements on six residential blocks located in a low- and moderate-income area of Census Tract 449.15 (Block Group 1) referred to as **Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvement Project, Phase II**: Canyon Vista Road, Monte Vista Road, Aurora Vista Road, Desert Vista Road, Cielo Vista Road, Rancho Vista Road, and Via Colusa between Corral Road and 33rd Avenue. Currently, the existing pavement condition of these residential blocks have been evaluated as poor and dilapidated, showing pronounced cracking and deterioration. The reconstruction of these roads will help improvement the appearance of this area of the City and, possibly, motivate the residents [directly impacted by these improvements] to make improvements in their properties and beautify the area.



3. Evaluation of past performance

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

West Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements:

In 2018, the City programmed **\$298,941** of CDBG funding to reconstruct three residential blocks located in Census Tract 449.07. The scope of the project was to reconstruct and rehabilitate Shifting Sands Trail, Whispering Palms Trail, Sky Blue Water Trail between Mission Indian Trail to the south and Ramon Road to the north. These three street blocks encompass Block Groups 1 & 2 within Census Tract 449.07. Based on an Engineering Estimate developed within that fiscal year, the City needed additional funding to complete this Project. The rising costs of construction did not allow the City to complete the programmed streets. Therefore, the City allocated an additional **\$100,000** from the FY 2019-2020 General Fund budget to supplement CDBG funding and complete these street improvements. This Project was completed in April 2020.

South Panorama Neighborhood Improvements, Phase 1:

For FY 2019-2020, the City programmed **\$395,864** of CDBG funding to reconstruct three residential blocks located in Census Tract 449.26 (Block Groups 1 and 2). The scope of the project was to reconstruct and rehabilitate Avenida La Paloma, Avenida La Gaviota, and Whispering Palms Trail between Ramon Road to the south and Baristo Road to the north. During the award of the construction contract, Staff was directed to include a section of Baristo Road with the Project. In order to include this section of Baristo Road, a Substantial Amendment to the FY 2019 Annual Action Plan was prepared and approved to program **\$68,562.85** of unallocated CDBG funds to supplement this Project. This Project was also completed in April 2020 along with the West Whitewater Project (same contractor).

4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

Prior to adopting a Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan, the City of Cathedral City will make available to citizens, public agencies and additional interested parties a draft of these documents. The draft plan will include information on the amount of assistance the jurisdiction expects to receive from HUD. It will also include explanations of each program that the City plans to apply for and the estimated amount of such funds benefiting low and moderate-income persons.

The City will hold a virtual public hearing to gather citizens' views and to respond to proposals and questions during different stages of the development of the Action Plan. This hearing will cover topics regarding housing and community development needs, development of the proposed activities and review of program performance. Additionally, the City encourages feedback from residents and

interested parties to submit written responses to the CDBG/Engineering Division during the commenting period of the Annual Action Plan Draft.

On March 25, 2019, the City held a community meeting at the Cathedral City Branch Library, located at the heart of the City and contiguous low- and moderate income area. The purpose of the meeting was to solicit programmatic input on the types of services and public improvements the community would like to see in the upcoming fiscal year. Approximately only four people attending this meeting, all from nonprofit agencies that submitted proposals for funding.

Exercising its approval and ability of the waiver process to fast-track the approval process, the FY 2020-2021 Draft Annual Action Plan was made available for public review and comment for a 5-day period beginning **August 31, 2020** through **September 4, 2020**. The Annual Action Plan was advertised in the local newspaper and was available for review on the City's website (www.cathedralcity.gov). In prior years, a physical copy of the Draft Action Plan was made available at City Hall, the Cathedral City Senior Center, and the Cathedral City Branch Library. However, due to the State's and County's prevention of gatherings and social distancing requirements, the Draft Action Plan is only available electronically on the City's website.

5. Summary of public comments

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

The City of Cathedral City will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, September 23, 2020** during its regularly scheduled City Council Meeting. City Council opened the public hearing to allow any member of the public to comment on the Annual Action Plan and its content.

After the five (5) commenting period, any public comments will be included in this section of the Action Plan.

6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them

After the five (5) commenting period, any public comments will be included in this section of the Action Plan.

7. Summary

During the preparation of this Action Plan, the City utilized Survey Monkey to develop a customized survey to gather feedback from the community regarding what types of services and programs they felt were viable and beneficial to the community. The development of this survey was also an opportunity to gather the necessary information from local agencies affected by the current pandemic (COVID-19). The

survey was made available on the City's website and social media pages for 30 days. Surprisingly, the survey produced a low participation rate.

City of Cathedral City will continue to explore other methods to encourage public participation.

PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	CATHEDRAL CITY	
CDBG Administrator	CATHEDRAL CITY	Engineering Department
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator		
HOPWA-C Administrator		

Table 1 – Responsible Agencies

Narrative (optional)

Cathedral City consists of a five-member City Council which conducts public hearings, sets forth policies and procedures, adopts the City's budget and approves the City's entitlement funding. The City Manager is responsible for implementing the Council approved policies, resolutions, and budgets. Within the organization, the City structure consists of five departments: Police Department, Fire Department, Administrative Services Department, Planning Department, and Engineering Department. Each is made up of several sections within these departments. Specifically, the Engineering Department includes the Engineering and Public Works. The Engineering Department is responsible for administering the City's CDBG Program.

In the City of Cathedral City, the organizational structure to manage and administer the CDBG Program/process are as follows:

City Manager's Office: Responsible for the City's day to day operations including financial commitments and program staffing. The City Manager is the 'Executive Officer' and signatory for all HUD/CDBG documents including the SF-424 Form.

Finance Department As a division of the Administrative Services Department, the Finance Department serves as the financial agency responsible for working with the Engineering Department to manage the CDBG budget, accounts payable, requesting and approving drawdowns in IDIS, and other financial functions such as auditing.

Public Works Department: This Department oversees the divisions of Engineering, Public Works, and Facilities.

Engineering Department: The Engineering Department serves as primary unit that manages the CDBG Program for the City. Engineering is responsible for preparing the Assessment of Fair Housing, Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plans (AAP), Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Reports (CAPER) and related reports. The Department coordinates all public improvements and ensures satisfactory product and service delivery by all sub-recipients and contractors, and commits to meeting HUD requirements in its entirety.

Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information

Pursuant to the requirements of 24 CFR 91.105 and 91.200 [located in the Federal Register/Vol. 80 No. 136] of the Community Development and Housing Act of 1974, the City of Cathedral City hereby issues the following Community Participation Plan to provide for and encourage members of the community to participate in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program for the development and revision of the City's Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH), Consolidated Plan and/or Annual Action Plan, any substantial amendments to the AFH or Consolidated Plan, and the performance reports.

The requirements of the Community Participation Plan are designed to specifically encourage participation by low- and moderate income persons, particularly those persons living in areas designated by the City as a revitalization area or in a slum and blight area and in areas where CDBG funds are proposed to be used, and by residents of predominately low- and moderate income neighborhoods, as defined by the City of Cathedral City. Under this Plan, the City will take appropriate actions to encourage the participation of all its citizens, including minorities and non-English speaking persons, as well as, persons with disabilities.

In addition to soliciting participation from citizen, the City of Cathedral City will encourage participation from local and regional institutions, public housing authorities (PHA's), the Continuum of Care, and other organizations (including businesses, developers, non-profit and philanthropic organizations, and community and faith-based organizations) in the process of developing the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) and the Consolidated Plan.

In conjunction with consultation with local public housing agencies, the City will also encourage participation from public and assisted housing development such as resident advisory boards, resident councils and resident management corporations in the procession of developing and implementing the AFH and the Consolidated Plan.

AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)

1. Introduction

The City typically reaches out to citizens, municipal officials, nonprofit agencies, public housing agencies, governmental agencies, and the Continuum of Care in preparing this plan. These meetings are summarized in the Citizen Participation Section of this plan.

Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l))

The City is planning on enhancing coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health, and other service agencies:

- *The Housing Authority of Riverside County* provides residents throughout the County with rental assistance to those that are eligible based on income. The Authority administers the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program. They also own and operate the affordable housing projects throughout the County and collaborate with local jurisdictions with rehabilitating and upgrading multi-family housing units.
- *Riverside County Continuum of Care* is comprised of representatives from public, private, and nonprofit agencies including homeless and formerly homeless individuals that are committed to assisting in facilitating a continuum of care planning process throughout the County. This coalition assesses the need for affordable housing and homeless services countywide in order to provide a seamless delivery of services to those in need.
- *Department of Public and Social Services* administers programs under the anti-poverty umbrella for the County of Riverside. The main goal for residents is to move them towards self-sufficiency and moving poor families from poverty. DPSS assists residents on many levels including child care, education, employment training, health and human services, homeless and housing.

Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.

The City will do its best to coordinate and consult with the Riverside County Continuum of Care (CoC) to address the needs of the homeless populations. For this fiscal year, the City is proposing to allocate approximately \$221,000 in homeless support services to address the needs of homeless persons and persons at risk of homelessness. In addition, the City's Police Department has a homeless taskforce and resources to build cases for such homeless persons, document their needs, and offer the necessary assistance needed for them to get back on their feet and/or prevent homelessness. This joint effort has worked successfully in the past, and the City pledges its continuing support of the endeavor.

Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS

The City does not administer ESG funds.

2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities

Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated

1	Agency/Group/Organization	Cathedral City Senior Center
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Elderly Persons
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)/RFQ to solicit proposals from local agencies that describe how each anticipates utilizing CDBG-CV funding during the pandemic. Submitters contacted the City to discuss the requirements for program funding. Agencies that did not qualify for CDBG-CV funding were evaluated for regular Public Service funding.
2	Agency/Group/Organization	Transgender Health and Wellness
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Health
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Non-Homeless Special Needs Mental Health
	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)/RFQ to solicit proposals from local agencies that describe how each anticipates utilizing CDBG-CV funding during the pandemic. Submitters contacted the City to discuss the requirements for program funding. Agencies that did not qualify for CDBG-CV funding were evaluated for regular Public Service funding.
3	Agency/Group/Organization	Angel View Inc.
	Agency/Group/Organization Type	Services-Persons with Disabilities
	What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?	Non-Homeless Special Needs

	Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?	The City published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)/RFQ to solicit proposals from local agencies that describe how each anticipates utilizing CDBG-CV funding during the pandemic. Submitters contacted the City to discuss the requirements for program funding. Agencies that did not qualify for CDBG-CV funding were evaluated for regular Public Service funding.
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Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting

With the additional CARES Act funding, not only did the City publish a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) but also contacted local non-profit agencies that typically apply for funding through the City's Community Assistance Program. Each year the City Council awards discretionary The Community Assistance Program grants to local agencies that assist the local community. Some of these agencies qualified for CDBG funding while other agencies seeking donations for charitable support or for fundraising were not consulted. However, the Draft Action Plan was available publicly to solicit public comment from anyone or any agency interested in providing input on how the City programmed its annual appropriation.

Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Riverside County Board of Governance	The City of Cathedral City allocates CDBG Federal funding for homeless services which is also one of the main goals of Riverside County's Continuum of Care (CoC). In addition to the Board or Governance, the regional Program also has subcommittees that focus on various public services; one committee dedicated to ending homelessness.

Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts

Narrative (optional)

The Annual Action Plan includes an activity funded by CDBG for homeless services. The City is proposing to fund a non-profit agency that is a member of the Riverside County Continuum of Care (CoC) and that can provide homeless services to Cathedral City; thus, accomplishing similar goals of the CoC.

AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)

1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting.

The City of Cathedral City's citizen participation processes is outlined in the adopted Community Participation Plan (CPP). For the FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan, the City scheduled a community meeting to educate and gather feedback from residents and businesses on which types of services are necessary to fund this upcoming year. The meeting was scheduled for March 18, 2020 at the Cathedral City Branch Library. However, due to the uncertainty of the growing pandemic, no one attended the meeting. Shortly after, HUD release its Notice encouraging grantee to maintain social distancing and prevent mass gathering.

Instead, the City decided to develop a community survey via Survey Monkey in hopes to gather the necessary input from the community. The survey was launched in late March for thirty (30) days and was published on the City's website and social media accounts. Unfortunately, the City did not receive the amount of responses it anticipated to encourage any new services, programs, and/or improvements.

The FY 2020-2021 Draft Annual Action Plan was made available for public comment and review for five (5) days per the approved waiver. The Annual Action Plan was presented before the City Council for approval and submittal to HUD on September 23, 2020. At that time, a public hearing was held to receive any comments from interested persons regarding the approval of the Action Plan.

Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Newspaper Ad	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p> <p>Any interested resident or agency</p>	The community meeting invitation was published in the local Desert Sun newspaper.	No comments regarding the publishing of the newspaper ad.	No comments regarding the publishing of the newspaper ad.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
2	Public Meeting	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p> <p>Any interested resident or agency</p>	No attendance due to the growing concern of the pandemic (COVID-19).	No comments due to the growing concern of the pandemic (COVID-19).	No comments due to the growing concern of the pandemic (COVID-19).	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
3	Community Survey	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p> <p>All interested persons</p>	The City did not receive the participation anticipated from the community to complete the survey.	From the completed surveys submitted, most of the respondents chose programs and services that are currently being funded by the City's CDBG Program.	None.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
4	Newspaper Ad	<p>Minorities</p> <p>Persons with disabilities</p> <p>Non-targeted/broad community</p> <p>Residents of Public and Assisted Housing</p> <p>All interested parties.</p>	A Public Notice was published in the local Desert Sun newspaper for a five (5) day availability of the Draft Action Plan.	No comments regarding the publishing of the newspaper ad.	No comments regarding the publishing of the newspaper ad.	

Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach

Expected Resources

AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

Introduction

One of the main challenges of meeting community needs is inadequate resources. As with most of the priority goals, the needs far outweigh the City's available resources; that are not sufficient to address all of the needs of low- and moderate-income persons or special needs residents in the City. It is anticipated that Federal and private funding sources for housing and community development programs will remain limited until the current economic conditions eventually recover. Even under these circumstances, the City strives to make progress in implementing its public improvement and community service projects and programs as well as meeting the established objectives.

Since becoming an Entitlement Grantee, Cathedral City has typically received just over \$510,000. In FY 2020, the City's award was \$613,288. The following section summarizes the major sources of funding available to carry out housing and community development activities in the City, and

specifically identifies the City's second year and projected funding levels over the five-Year Plan period for formula grant CDBG program.

Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	613,288	0	0	613,288	0	The City did not have any prior year resources.
Other	public - federal	Other	360,777	0	0	360,777	0	CDBG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus.

Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table

Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied

Cathedral City is fortunate to participate and receive CDBG funding from HUD. The City is always looking for ways to leverage CDBG funding with other funding to complete activities and project in low- and moderate income areas. For activities and project that require matching funds, the City will utilize CDBG funds for such match(es) and justify that the CDBG match benefits low and moderate income clientele or area.

Available public resources to serve low- and moderate-income households will need to be distributed across the spectrum of needs and heavily leveraged when possible. This means providing funds for homebuyer assistance, housing rehabilitation, and the creation or development of new housing serving the target groups. The City will actively pursue additional State and federal funding sources to leverage CDBG Funds.

If appropriate, describe publically owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan

Publicly owned land pertains to federal public lands. This type of public land is owned by the American public. Federal public lands includes National Parks, National Forests, Wilderness areas, wild and scenic rivers, and wildlife preserves. Every American has a personal stake and a guaranteed say in how these places are cared for. All Americans have the right to experience and enjoy these types of federal public lands.

Cathedral City does not have such publically owned land or property that is considered recreational and used by the public for enjoyment. However, southern part of Cathedral City is divided by the Whitewater River Channel that flows west to east. The Whitewater River Channel is a dry bed captures and collects stormwater during heavy rain events. During such event, the stormwater will flow to the east side of the Coachella Valley; capturing addition stormwater along the way as it flow through each city.

Discussion

None.

Annual Goals and Objectives

AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Reduce the number of fair housing complaints based	2017	2021	Non-Homeless Special Needs AFH Goal	Citywide	Community Services (Public Services)	CDBG: \$18,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 800 Persons Assisted
2	Support special needs programs and services	2017	2021	Non-Homeless Special Needs	Citywide	Community Services (Public Services)	CDBG: \$45,000 CDBG-CV: \$301,000	Public service activities for Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1000 Households Assisted Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 500 Persons Assisted Homelessness Prevention: 650 Persons Assisted Other: 100 Other
3	Construct or upgrade public facilities and infrast	2017	2021	Non-Housing Community Development	Census Tract 044915	Infrastructure	CDBG: \$445,633	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 3770 Persons Assisted

Table 6 – Goals Summary

Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Reduce the number of fair housing complaints based
	Goal Description	The Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB), located in Ontario, California, will provide Cathedral City with fair housing services to assist approximately 500 persons/households (including education, outreach and enforcement as set forth below) designed to further the fair housing objectives of the Fair Housing Act and of the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH). IFHMB will provide at least two educational workshops to the stakeholders of Cathedral City and mobility counseling to educate residents about the benefits of moving to higher opportunity.
2	Goal Name	Support special needs programs and services
	Goal Description	For FY 2020, the City is proposing to allocate CDBG funding to local non-profit agencies that provide programs and services that assist the low- and moderate-income population of the community. Due to the additional funding received from the enactment of the CARES Act, the City is able fund the eligible programs and services that meet the requirements for this funding; thereby, offsetting the public services allocation (15%) to provide additional services to Cathedral City residents.
3	Goal Name	Construct or upgrade public facilities and infrast
	Goal Description	<p><u>Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvments, Phase 2:</u></p> <p>For FY 2020-2021, Cathedral City is proposing public improvements on six residential blocks located in a low- and moderate-income area of Census Tract 449.15 (Block Group 1) referred to as Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvement Project, Phase II: Canyon Vista Road, Monte Vista Road, Aurora Vista Road, Desert Vista Road, Cielo Vista Road, Rancho Vista Road, and Via Colusa between Corral Road and 33rd Avenue. Currently, the existing pavement condition of these residential blocks have been evaluated as poor and dilapidated, showing pronounced cracking and deterioration. The reconstruction of these roads will help improvement the appearance of this area of the City and, possibly, motivate the residents [directly impacted by these improvements] to make improvements in their properties and beautify the area.</p>

Projects

AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

Introduction

The FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan provides a concise summary of the eligible programs or activities that will take place during the program year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the Strategic Plan. The year, the City will allocate additional funding to activities and project that qualify for CARES Act funding. In the template, each eligible program/activity is called a Project.

Projects

#	Project Name
1	Program Administration: Planning and Management
2	Program Administration: Inland Fair Housing & Mediation Board
3	Program Administration: AFH Consulting Services
4	Public Services: Angel View Outreach
5	Public Services: CVAG Homeless Bus Pass Program
6	Public Services: The Boys and Girls Club of Cathedral City
7	Public Services: Assistance League of Palm Springs
8	Public Services: Stonewall Ministries Homeless Program
9	Public Improvement: Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements, Phase 2
10	CV-Public Services: CVRM Emergency Services Program
11	CV-Public Services: Cathedral City Senior Center
12	CV-Public Services: Transgender Health and Wellness Center
13	CV-Public Services: CVAG/POLM CV Housing First Program
14	CV-Public Services: Local Assistance Program

Table 7 - Project Information

Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs

As indicated in the Consolidated Plan, the City will use a place-based strategy during the planning period. The geographic distribution of funding is predicated somewhat on the nature of the activity to be funded. It is the City's intent to fund activities in the areas most directly affected by the needs of low-income residents and those with other special needs. The Annual Action Plan directs investment geographically to an area benefit neighborhood. The area benefit category is the most commonly used national objective for activities that benefit a residential neighborhood. An area benefit activity is one that benefits all residents in a particular area, where at least 51% of the residents are low- and moderate income persons. Public infrastructure improvements are an area benefit activity when they

are located in a predominately low- and moderate-income neighborhood.

The City will allocate CARES Act funding to local agencies that provide community programs and services that help prevent, prepare for, and/or respond to the current Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

AP-38 Project Summary
Project Summary Information

1	Project Name	Program Administration: Planning and Management
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services Construct or upgrade public facilities and infrast Reduce the number of fair housing complaints based
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services) Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$84,655
	Description	Administrative CDBG funding will be used to manage the overall program processes and planning. The Administrative Allowance for managing the CDBG program is a maximum of twenty percent (20%). The Administrative Allowance may be used to fund program planning activities such as the development of comprehensive plans, community development plans, energy strategies, capacity building, environmental studies, neighborhood plans and other plans. Administrative CDBG funding includes salaries, wages, and related costs of City Staff involved in program management, monitoring, and evaluation.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Administration of the program is Citywide, targeting low- and moderate-income residents. This activity is used to manage subrecipients and contractors funded by CDBG funds.
	Location Description	City of Cathedral City, Engineering Department, 68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City, CA 92234
	Planned Activities	Administrative CDBG funding will be used to manage the overall program processes and planning. The Administrative Allowance for managing the CDBG program is a maximum of twenty percent (20%). The Administrative Allowance may be used to fund program planning activities such as the development of comprehensive plans, community development plans, energy strategies, capacity building, environmental studies, neighborhood plans and other plans. Administrative CDBG funding includes salaries, wages, and related costs of City Staff involved in program management, monitoring, and evaluation.
	Project Name	Program Administration: Inland Fair Housing & Mediation Board

2	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Reduce the number of fair housing complaints based
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG: \$18,000
	Description	A portion of the Administrative Cap allowance will be used to fund fair housing activities through Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB). IFHMB is a non-profit, public benefit corporation that serves San Bernardino County and parts of Riverside and Imperial Counties. IFHMB assist individuals in resolving issues related to housing discrimination, homeownership sustainability, rental complaints, and disputes in court through the provision of resource recommendations, education, and mediation. IFHMB will be used to provide valuable feedback in preparation of the AFH.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Based on the number of fair housing complaints and issues received in previous years, the City is goals is to contract with Inland Fair Housing to assist in resolving, at least, 800 complaints. In addition, Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board will also assist the City is achieving goals identified in the Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH).
	Location Description	Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (Citywide), 82921 Indio Blvd #10, Indio, CA 92201
3	Planned Activities	A portion of the Administrative Cap allowance will be used to fund fair housing activities through Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB). IFHMB is a non-profit, public benefit corporation that serves San Bernardino County and parts of Riverside and Imperial Counties. IFHMB assist individuals in resolving issues related to housing discrimination, homeownership sustainability, rental complaints, and disputes in court through the provision of resource recommendations, education, and mediation. IFHMB will be used to provide valuable feedback in preparation of the AFH.
	Project Name	Program Administration: AFH Consulting Services
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services Reduce the number of fair housing complaints based
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG: \$20,000

	Description	Every five years, the City of Cathedral City needs to prepare an Assessment of Fair Housing (AFH) to evaluate and identify any fair housing concerns in the community. In order to prepare the AFH, the City will need to solicit consulting services that can identify any challenges and provide neutral solutions for remedying and improving fair housing. The AFH will also describe upcoming goals to improve fair housing in the City through measurable programs and services that can also be evaluated.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	Consulting services for preparation of the Assessment of Fair Housing will be Citywide. As required for public participation, the scope of work will include community input from local residents, businesses, and non-profit agencies to develop this Assessment.
	Location Description	City of Cathedral City (Citywide), Engineering Department, 68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City, CA 92234
	Planned Activities	
4	Project Name	Public Services: Angel View Outreach
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG: \$15,000
	Description	The Angel View Outreach Program assists families with children and adults with development and physical disabilities. Currently, Cathedral City has approximately 65 people (including children) with disabilities. Outreach Specialists help families with the resources, referrals, and assistance needed for accessing other services. This program also offers special needs assistance mini-grants for medical equipment, supplies and services not covered by insurance. In addition, Angel View has support groups for parents of children with disabilities.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The Angel View Outreach Program assists families with children and adults with development and physical disabilities. Currently, Cathedral City has over 65 people (including children) with disabilities. Outreach Specialists help families with the resources, referrals, and assistance needed for accessing other services. This program also offers special needs assistance mini-grants for medical equipment, supplies and services not covered by insurance. In addition, Angel View has support groups for parents of children with disabilities.
	Location Description	Angel View, Administrative Offices, 67625 E. Palm Canyon Drive, Suite 7A, Cathedral City, CA 92234
	Planned Activities	The goal of the City is add Angel View as a subrecipient to provide programs, services, and assistance to residents and families within Cathedral City who are burdened with responsibility of caring for loved ones with disabilities.
5	Project Name	Public Services: CVAG Homeless Bus Pass Program
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG: \$3,000
	Description	The Alan Seman Bus Pass Program addresses homelessness in the Coachella Valley and promotes transportation equity by providing free bus passes to homeless individuals and families. These bus passes are used to link homeless individuals and families to shelter and other health related resources.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The Alan Seman Bus Pass Program helps homeless individuals find housing and achieve self sufficiency. Passes distributed by service providers to homeless clients are used to for health/medical care, behavioral health care, social services appointments, to obtain documentation needed to access benefit programs (ie DMV), job interviews, housing, skills training, court dates or other legal matters, and related purposes. A Sunline Transit bus pass ranges from \$1.50 for disabled senior citizens to \$34 for a 31-day pass; averaging to approximately \$20 per pass. CVAG intends to distribute approximately 150 bus passes to assist homeless individuals and families obtain the resources they need. Passes may also be distributed by street outreach teams engaging unsheltered individuals in services or through homeless access centers in the Valley.
	Location Description	Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG), 73710 Fred Waring Dr #200, Palm Desert, CA 92260
	Planned Activities	CVAG intends to use 100% of funds to purchase bus passes, with program administration provided by CVAG staff in-kind. This year CVAG is working to strengthen program reporting by requiring that all participating providers enter data in the County's homeless information management system (HMIS). We are also revising guidelines to make the program more user-friendly by switching from a monthly to quarterly distribution schedule.
6	Project Name	Public Services: The Boys and Girls Club of Cathedral City
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG: \$13,000
	Description	The Boys and Girls Club of Cathedral City is run by a dynamic board of directors, dedicated community of volunteers, and a staff of caring youth development professionals. The Club has positive impact on young lives by building self-esteem, encouraging the development of values and skills during critical periods of childhood growth. The BGCCC's Club programs are based on life skills and character development. Program outcomes ensure academic success, healthy lifestyles, and builds good character and citizenship.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The Boys and Girls Club intends to use CDBG funding to assist low- and moderate-income children obtain an annual membership, giving them access to all the Club's amenities and after school programs such as tutoring and recreation. An annual membership is \$40 per child. Based on their allocation, the Boys and Girls Club may offer a maximum of 250 memberships eligible for reimbursement. A portion of the annual allocation may be used for reimbursement of operating expenses such as utilities or programmatic equipment and supplies.
	Location Description	
	Planned Activities	The Boys and Girls Club intends to use CDBG funding to assist low- and moderate-income children obtain an annual membership, giving them access to all the Club's amenities and after school programs such as tutoring and recreation. An annual membership is \$40 per child. Based on their allocation, the Boys and Girls Club may offer a maximum of 250 memberships eligible for reimbursement. A portion of the annual allocation may be used for reimbursement of operating expenses such as utilities or programmatic equipment and supplies.
7	Project Name	Public Services: Assistance League of Palm Springs
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG: \$7,000
	Description	Assistance League of Palm Springs Desert Area is an all-volunteer 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. The League been active in the Coachella Valley since 1973. Its mission is to transform the lives of children and adults through community programs in the Coachella Valley. The League has provided new school clothes to over 3,500 students, gave out books and school supplies to 400 kids starting school, provided funding to fifteen talented high school artists, and distributed over 3,300 hygiene kits to prepare kids for puberty and to assist homeless students and others needing basic hygiene supplies. It also served residents in nursing homes by sponsoring entertainment, providing companionship, and purchasing clothing and shoes.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The Assistance League of Palm Springs is proposing to offer its services to approximately 375 Cathedral City low- and moderate-income students. The League to assist student by providing them clothing and school supplies they need for this academic year. Each year, the League provides new school clothing to disadvantaged, at-risk students attending five Cathedral City elementary schools: Agua Caliente, Cathedral City, Landau, Rio Vista and Sunny Sands). Clothing expenditures are projected to be more than \$13,000 for these students. The League will also provide hygiene kits to 567 fifth grade students attending Growth and Development classes at the same elementary schools. Hygiene expenditures are projected to be \$2,800.
	Location Description	Assistance League of Palm Springs, P.O. Box 3056, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270
	Planned Activities	
8	Project Name	Public Services: Stonewall Ministries Homeless Program
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG: \$7,000
	Description	Since 2017, Stonewall Ministries is a faith-based organization serving the LGBTQ community in Cathedral City and the greater Coachella Valley. Stonewall Ministries seek to heal spiritual wounds caused by organized religions rejection of the LGBTQ community. Stonewall Ministries has a deep desire to lift up other marginalized groups within our broader society. The organization does this by demonstrating Gods love for all and by attempting to live out our call to be God's hands and feet in our world.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	<p>In late 2019, Stonewall Ministries received an initial grant from Spirit of the Desert Presbyterian Fellowship in Palm Desert. This grant allowed Stonewall Ministries to launch its Blessing Bags Ministry Program. The City's grant allocation will allow Stonewall Ministries to continue offering the Blessing Bag Ministry through June 2021.</p> <p>Bringing hope to the hopeless is a core value at Stonewall Ministries. The Blessing Bags Ministry offers a measure of hope to those in the community who may feel as if there is no hope. The items in our Blessing Bags are items that most take for granted. For a homeless person, clean socks, a bottle of water, and a bar of soap can make all the difference; sparking hope and a second chance. From their interaction with the homeless community, these bags let people know that they are human beings and that they are not invisible or disposable.</p> <p>Stonewall Ministries understands that their efforts cannot solve the homeless crisis in Cathedral City. Stonewall anticipates reaching approximately 280 people by April 2021. The City's allocation will allow them to achieve this goal.</p>
	Location Description	Stonewall Ministries, 38088 Chuperosa Lane, Cathedral City, CA 92234
	Planned Activities	Through their Blessing Bag Ministry Program, Stonewall Ministries plans to offer homeless individuals and families a personal hygiene bags filled with items such as clean socks, bottled water, a bar of soap, and other items. These items will be reimbursable upon submitted receipts and invoices.
9	Project Name	Public Improvement: Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements, Phase 2
	Target Area	Census Tract 044915
	Goals Supported	Construct or upgrade public facilities and infrast
	Needs Addressed	Infrastructure
	Funding	CDBG: \$445,633
	Description	The Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvement Project proposes to reconstruct the pavement on seven (7) residential blocks. The Project will remove and reconstruct 3½" of asphalt on Canyon Vista Road, Monte Vista Road, Aurora Vista Road, Desert Vista Road, Cielo Vista Road, Rancho Vista Road, and Via Colusa located between 33rd Avenue to the south and Corral Road to the north.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	According to the HUD LMISD database, Census Tract 449.15, Block Group 1 consists of approximately 3,770 people residing in this encompassed area. The proposed project accounts for half of the Census Tract but will benefit the entire population in the Tract and surrounding census tracts.
	Location Description	According to the HUD LMISD database, the proposed reconstruction will be located in Census Tract 449.15 in Block Group 1. The proposed Project is generally bound by Corral Road to the north, 33rd Avenue to the south, Date Palm Drive to the east and Cathedral Canyon Drive to the west.
	Planned Activities	The Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvement Project proposes to reconstruct the pavement on seven (7) residential blocks. The Project will remove and reconstruct 3" of asphalt on Canyon Vista Road, Monte Vista Road, Aurora Vista Road, Desert Vista Road, Cielo Vista Road, Rancho Vista Road, and Via Colusa located between 33rd Avenue to the south and Corral Road to the north.
10	Project Name	CV-Public Services: CVRM Emergency Services Program
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$103,000
	Description	Since 1971, Coachella Valley Rescue Mission (CVRM) has been a place of refuge for the homeless and needy in the Coachella Valley. CVRM is a safe haven, a place of rest for the weary and a place where daily physical and spiritual needs may be met. Over the years CVRM has continued to meet the ever-growing needs of individuals, who for a variety of reasons, have found themselves without the basic necessities of life. The Mission has dedicated staff and volunteers that serve thousands of meals annually and provide shelter to men and women with children. Food, clothing, and showers are also provided for those who choose.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	According to recent Point-in-Time results compiled by the Riverside County Continuum of Care (CoC), the City of Cathedral City accounts for over seventy-five (75) homeless persons identified during the typical count. Although this figure is not an actual projection of the exact number of homeless and transients, the City will contract with the Coachella Valley Rescue Mission (CVRM) to assist and provide support services to, at least, 500 people. The goal of this effort is to reduce the number of homeless people in Cathedral City counted annually. However, each year more people, including youth, are subject to homelessness and will cause this number to fluctuate.
	Location Description	Coachella Valley Rescue Mission (CVRM), 47470 Van Buren St, Indio, CA 92201
	Planned Activities	For FY 2020, CVRM will be occupying the Elks Lodge building located west of East Palm Canyon Drive in Cathedral City. The current pandemic has prevented CVRM to continue using Palm Springs High School as a cooling center in the summer months for the homeless and anyone seeking refuge from the extreme heat. CVRM will be operating the Elks Lodge as this cooling center and as a satellite facility to shelter homeless individuals and families to maintain and/or exceed capacity while adhering to the State's and County's social distancing requirements. This facility will not only provide shelter but also similar resources to assist the homeless in transitioning back in to society. CVRM may include clean and medical supplies and equipment to help prevent, prepare for, and respond to the current Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19).
11	Project Name	CV-Public Services: Cathedral City Senior Center
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$75,000

	Description	The Cathedral City Senior Center provides programs and service to the elderly community of the City. The vast majority of the clients served in this facility are below the low- and moderate income threshold for Riverside County. The Senior Center's annual goal is to provide services to, at least, 600 unduplicated clients. However, each year, the Center exceeds this amount as more people are becoming members and the population continues to increase.
	Target Date	6/30/2021
	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The Cathedral City Senior Center provides programs and service to the elderly community of the City. The vast majority of the clients served in this facility are below the low- and moderate income threshold for Riverside County. The Senior Center's annual goal is to provide services to, at least, 600 unduplicated clients. However, each year, the Center exceeds this amount as more people are becoming members and the population continues to increase.
	Location Description	Cathedral City Senior Center, 37171 W Buddy Rogers Ave, Cathedral City, CA 92234
	Planned Activities	The Cathedral City Senior Center is typically appropriated through the City's Public Service budget. However, due to the current pandemic (COVID-19), the Senior Center will be funded through the City's CARES Act appropriation. The Senior Center will be providing services to the senior community remotely delivering meals to people as part of their Meals on Wheels Program. A portion of their allocation may be used for reimbursement of personal protective equipment (PPE) for their staff to carryout their services. The uncertainty of the pandemic may cause the Senior Center to further make adjustments to the delivery of their services in which the City will allow as long as these services meet the HUD's requirements for CARES Act funding.
12	Project Name	CV-Public Services: Transgender Health and Wellness Center
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$20,000
	Description	
	Target Date	6/30/2021

	Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	According to data collected by the Transgender Health and Wellness Center (TGHWC), Cathedral City has a population of approximately 300 transgender persons in need of assistance and suicide prevention counseling services. Much of this population is burdened with the struggles of being transgender, intersex, gender non-conforming and non-binary persons. Many of the clients seeking assistance are on the verge of suicide and self-harm. The City is proposing to allocated CDBG funds to the Transgender Health and Wellness Center Crisis Prevention Program. Funding this Program will provide the necessary case management and counseling needed to prevent such tragic outcomes. As a part of this Program, TGHWC will also provide the necessary support services and resources these clients need for independent living.
	Location Description	Transgender Health and Wellness Center, 35-325 Date Palm Dr STE 143, Cathedral City, CA 92234
	Planned Activities	<p>Over the past 3 months, THAWC has been diligent in developing and implementing new office policies and procedures designed to prevent infections in our facility, including requiring the use of face masks at all times in the office, and preventing anyone from coming to the office while feeling sick. THAWC has trained their staff on these new procedures, briefed them on infection control strategies, and placed signs throughout our office encouraging enforcement. THAWC also purchased and installed a mobile UVC light to clear each facility area of pathogens every day.</p> <p>For FY 2020-2021, the City has allocated CARES Act funding for THAWC to assist their clients in making weekly home visits to provide sanitation supplies and/or hygiene supplies and/or emergency food boxes in an effort to enable the most vulnerable populations to self-isolate in an effort to minimize risk of contracting this deadly virus; and provide a safe and sanitary environment for vulnerable clients to obtain services by purchasing personal protective equipment (PPE) and the necessary cleaning supplies and equipment to deliver these services.</p>
13	Project Name	CV-Public Services: CVAG/POLM CV Housing First Program
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)

Funding	CDBG-CV: \$103,000
Description	The Coachella Valley Association of Government (CVAG) is the regional planning agency coordinating government services in the Coachella Valley. By providing solutions to the common issues of the local governments and tribes that are its members, CVAG promotes a better quality of life and balanced growth for residents of Central and Eastern Riverside County. CVAG has partnered with Path of Life Ministries (POLM) to offer their CV Housing First Program to the cities of the Coachella Valley to assist with the evolving homeless issue. Path of Life Ministries (POLM) is a dynamic group of community-minded individuals serving our city since 1998. POLM has become a premier non-profit agency committed to serving the greater Riverside homeless, challenged youth and family population with the goal of rescuing, restoring and rebuilding lives in our community.
Target Date	6/30/2021
Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	According to the latest County of Riverside Point-in-Time Homeless Count, approximately forty-four (44) individuals were identified as homeless by Cathedral City's Task Force. In previous years, the City's Task Forces has identified over seventy-five (75) persons that include teenagers who "couch surf" with friends. However, the current pandemic has created microeconomic pressures for individuals and families due to job loss that have resulted in homelessness. The City's CARES Act appropriation will allocate funding for, at least, 500 individuals and families to provide overnight shelter for these families.
Location Description	Coachella Valley Association of Governements (CVAG), 73710 Fred Waring Dr #200, Palm Desert, CA 92260 Path of Life Ministries (POLM), 1240 Palmyrita Avenue, Suite A, Riverside, CA 92507

	Planned Activities	Through a concerted and coordinated effort with Path of Life Ministries (POLM), the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) will conduct prevention/outreach services and conduct an assessment to determine the best housing options for those assessed, other needed resources and referrals, and appropriate next steps toward an exit from homelessness as part of their CV Housing First Program. CVAG/POLM will provide bridge shelter care in one of their designated hotel or motel satellite shelters in order to continue to meet and/or exceed capacity while adhering to the County and State's social distancing requirements. Shelter care shall include cleaning and medical supplies that help prevent, prepare for, and respond to the current Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19). These services will require case management for all individuals and families receiving assistance coming from Cathedral City and coordination with the Cathedral City Police Department.
14	Project Name	CV-Public Services: Local Assistance Program
	Target Area	Citywide
	Goals Supported	Support special needs programs and services
	Needs Addressed	Community Services (Public Services)
	Funding	CDBG-CV: \$59,777
	Description	The City has a remaining, unallocated CARES Act balance of \$59,777 that the City may distribute to local agencies (as-needed) for the prevention, preparation, and/or in response to the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19). Federal and State health officials have warned that a second wave of this pandemic will surface in winter. It is to the City's benefit to have additional funding readily available for any emergencies that may arise during this resurgence. At that time, the City will prepare the necessary Administrative and Substantial Amendments to reprogram CDBG and CARES Act funding to such agencies in need of assistance.
	Target Date	6/30/2021

Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities	The City has a remaining, unallocated CARES Act balance of \$59,777 that the City may distribute to local agencies (as-needed) for the prevention, preparation, and/or in response to the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19). Federal and State health officials have warned that a second wave of this pandemic will surface in winter. It is to the City's benefit to have additional funding readily available for any emergencies that may arise during this resurgence. The number of individuals, families, and/or agencies assisted with this allocation is too early to predict. However, the City has planned for and estimates assisting at least 100 individuals but may be determined by the allocated agency.
Location Description	City of Cathedral City, 68700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City, CA 92234
Planned Activities	The City has a remaining, unallocated CARES Act balance of \$59,777 that the City may distribute to local agencies (as-needed) for the prevention, preparation, and/or in response to the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19). Federal and State health officials have warned that a second wave of this pandemic will surface in winter. It is to the City's benefit to have additional funding readily available for any emergencies that may arise during this resurgence. At that time, the City will prepare the necessary Administrative and Substantial Amendments to reprogram CDBG and CARES Act funding to such agencies in need of assistance.

AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)

Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed

Cathedral City has approximately eight Census Tracts that qualify to receive CDBG assistance. After the required percentage allocations for Administration and Public Services, the City will allocation, at least, 65% of CDBG funing towards public improvements; specifically, in the Whitewater Neighborhood to repave residential streets.

Geographic Distribution

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Census Tract 044915	72
Census Tract 045000	
Census Tract 044906	
Census Tract 044907	
Census Tract 044702	
Census Tract 010600	
Census Tract 044916	
Citywide	28
Census Tract 044923	
Census Tract 044924	

Table 8 - Geographic Distribution

Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically

The City will use a place-based strategy during the planning period. The geographic distribution of funding is predicated somewhat on the nature of the activity to be funded. It is the City's intent to fund activities in the areas most directly affected by the needs of low-income residents and those with other special needs. The Annual Action Plan directs investment geographically to an area benefit neighborhood. The area benefit category is the most commonly used national objective for activities that benefit a residential neighborhood. An area benefit activity is one that benefits all residents in a particular area, where at least 51% of the residents are low and moderate income persons. Public infrastructure improvements are an area benefit activity when they are located in a predominately low- and moderate-income neighborhood.

Discussion

No discussion.

Affordable Housing

AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

Introduction

The Action Plan must specify goals for the number of homeless, non-homeless, and special needs households to be provided affordable housing within the program year. The plan must also indicate the number of affordable housing units that will be provided by program type, including rental assistance, production of new units, rehabilitation of existing units, or acquisition of existing units. For the purpose of this section, the term “affordable housing” is defined in the HOME regulations at 24 CFR 92.252 for rental housing and 24 CFR 92.254 for homeownership.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	0
Non-Homeless	0
Special-Needs	0
Total	0

Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	0
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	0
Acquisition of Existing Units	0
Total	0

Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type

Discussion

The City does not plan to use CDBG funding for the purpose of affordable housing as defined in the HOME regulations at 24 CFR 92.252 for rental housing and 24 CFR 92.254 for homeownership. However, the City did partner with the County of Riverside (County) to offer Affordable Housing Development (80%) and Down Payment Assistance (20%) through the Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) Program. The County is the lead agency for this Program and will prepare the reporting and evaluation on behalf of the City. The amount of household assisted and/or served shall be documented through the coordination with the County and describe in the City's CAPER.

AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)

Introduction

This question is not applicable.

Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing

This question is not applicable.

Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership

This question is not applicable.

If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance

This question is not applicable.

Discussion

This question is not applicable.

AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)

Introduction

The Action Plan must describe the jurisdiction's one-year goals and the specific actions steps it will undertake in the program year to carry out the homeless strategy outlined in SP-60 Homelessness Strategy.

The Action Plan must also describe the jurisdiction's one-year goals and specify the activities it will undertake to serve the housing and supportive service needs of non-homeless populations who require supportive housing. While this screen does not have fields that specifically address special needs goals, this information can be included in the Introduction and/or the Discussion narratives.

Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including

Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs

The County of Riverside Continuum of Care (CoC) has established chronically homeless persons as the highest need priority. The CoC implements a targeted street-to-home outreach program/campaign that covers 100% of its area and takes a housing first approach for chronically homeless households and others with a disabling condition. Non-disabled persons are referred to emergency shelter or transitional housing programs and housed as quickly as possible. The CoC will soon implement a coordinated assessment system to ensure the right intervention through program admissions that will be marketed to community groups and outreach providers who coordinate outreach efforts with staff trained to guide households through the process regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, disability, etc. The City will continue to cooperate in the Point-In-Time Count (PIT) which seeks to identify the homeless and assess their needs.

The City is planning on allocating CARES Act funds to a non-profit agency located in the Coachella Valley that provides homeless services to Cathedral City. Last year, the City allocated CDBG funding to the Coachella Valley Rescue Mission's (CVRM) Emergency Shelter Program located in Indio, California. This year, the City will continue to fund CVRM and also fund Path of Life Ministries (POLM), through the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG), to provide the community resources needed while abiding by the County of Riverside's guidelines of social distancing and/or sheltering-in-place.

Coachella Valley Rescue Mission (CVRM):

CVRM's Emergency Shelter Program provides outreach and response services to assess and determine the best method of assistance for each individual and/or family. CVRM provides overnight emergency shelter, first-aid, meals, showering, clothing, and related assistance for the enrollment to the Annex

Emergency Services Program; mental and behavior health services to individuals and families; available and/or qualifying rapid rehouse, permanent housing, and Section 8 housing services; including transportation services to school, daycare and offsite appointments.

According to the recently Point-in-Time results compiled by the Riverside County Continuum of Care (CoC), the City of Cathedral City accounted for approximately 85 homeless persons identified during this count. Although this figure is not an actual projection of the exact number of homeless and transients, the City will contract with the Coachella Valley Rescue Mission (CVRM) to assist and provide support services to 100 people. The goal of this effort is to reduce the number of homeless people in Cathedral City counted annually. However, each year more people, including youth, are subject to homelessness and will cause this number to fluctuate.

Path of Life Ministries (POLM) - CVAG:

Path of Life Ministries will offer its CV Housing First Program citywide. CV Housing First has increased its supply of crisis stabilization units by utilizing hotel/motel rooms to remove homeless individuals from congregate settings and the street to assist in the prevention of exposure to COVID 19. This initiative has mirrored the State's Project Room Key program. Additionally, CV Housing First continues to utilize its partnerships with Path of Life and Riverside County to house homeless individuals throughout the Valley. CVAG has worked very closely with the Cathedral City Police Department in outreach and housing efforts for making its Program successful.

Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons

The City will continue to work jointly with the Care (CoC), which provides funding and a network of resources for homeless abatement. The CoC provides emergency shelter, supportive services, transitional housing and permanent housing. The City commits staff to the CoC planning and implementation process, and provides the CoC Steering Committee critical information regarding the types of resources and programs provided to assist the homeless. In addition, the City will continue to look at the use of CDBG funds for local homeless facilities, as funding needs are analyzed.

Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again

With the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), the County of Riverside CoC will participate in enrollment and outreach activities to ensure eligible households are able to take advantage of new healthcare options. The CoC has initiated a series of trainings and workshops that provide information

on the ACA which has expanded Medi-Cal eligibility for people who are experiencing chronic homelessness and allows for the integration of housing, primary care and behavioral health. DPSS also received funding to conduct medical outreach and enrollment and is working with CoC member agencies to train outreach workers and enrollment counselors throughout Riverside County.

Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.

The County of Riverside CoC Discharge Policy is mandated by the state and followed by the CoC. The CoC established a Discharge Planning Committee, responsible for implementing policies and protocols and coordinating with various organizations, to ensure that persons being discharged from a publicly-funded institution or system of care are not discharged immediately into homelessness. The goals are to identify discharge housing needs inclusive of housing and supportive services and to link the individual with community resources that will include mental health services, substance abuse support, and housing.

Discussion

No discussion. The City will continue to work with the CoC.

AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)

Introduction:

The Annual Action Plan (AAP) must describe the City's one-year goals and the specific actions steps it will undertake in the program year to carry out the homeless strategy outlined in SP-60 homelessness Strategy.

The Action Plan must also describe the City's one-year goals and specify the activities it will undertake to serve the housing and supportive service needs of non-homeless populations who require supportive housing.

Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment

As addressed in the Consolidated Plan, the City allocated funding to Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB) to provide Mobility Counseling which will include a range of options including, assistance for families for “second moves” after they have accessed stable housing, and ongoing post-move support for families. The goal is to increase levels of integration by Hispanic residents within higher opportunity neighborhoods. This new mobility counseling program administered by IFHMB will monitor annually the efficacy of our outreach by tracking the percentage of households reached and actually complete the counseling program.

For FY 2020-2021, the City will track mobility counseling outcomes by tracking the percentage of households receiving counseling who successfully move to higher opportunity areas. This metric will help the City & IFHMB determine whether the program is effective at meeting the goal of increase levels of integration by Hispanic residents within higher opportunity neighborhoods. A high rate of successful moves could lead to expanding the program, while a low rate of successful moves might indicate the need to change the counseling curriculum or investigate what other factors pose barriers to integration.

As an ongoing effort, the City will continue to work with IFHMB to increase testing of multifamily housing market in higher opportunity neighborhoods and census tracts to determine levels of discrimination based on source of income, including SSDI, Housing Choice Vouchers, or other tenant-based rental assistance. The City will work with the IFHMB to implement a targeted campaign of engaging housing providers and tenants in the aforementioned specific areas with education and outreach materials to address the issue. The City will review fair housing complaints based on disabilities to determine annual reduction of as measured by 2017 levels. In addition, the Dream Homes community is currently in the process of a place-based initiative working with Desert Healthcare District, Loma Linda University, El Sol Neighborhood Center, and the City to conduct a community needs assessment. The City has been supportive of these efforts to help this community develop programs and seek grant

opportunities to better their quality of life.

Discussion:

No discussion.

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AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)

Introduction:

- Foster and maintain affordable housing
- Evaluate and reduce lead-based paint hazards
- Reduce the number of poverty-level families
- Develop institutional structure

In addition, this section will identify obstacles to meeting underserved needs and propose actions to overcome those obstacles.

Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs

A major obstacle for the City in meeting underserved needs is the lack of adequate financial resources to meet the growing needs of low and moderate income persons. The City will continue to expand its housing programs to meet the growing need for affordable housing. In addition, the City will continue to use CDBG funding to support public service agencies that address the special needs of the underserved, including the homeless, the potential homeless, the youth, seniors, female-headed families, victims of domestic violence, and the disabled.

The City is also proactively seeking additional resources to meet the underserved needs. Federal, state, and local resources expected to be made available to address the needs identified in the Consolidated Plan.

Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing

The City will utilize a number of policies intended to provide additional flexibility in housing site planning and promote more intense development where appropriate. A density floor is another tool that can be used to promote the maximum use of residential land. The density floor would establish a minimum density requirement within a given residential land-use designation. The availability of developable acreage in upper density ranges allows for the development of certain types of housing.

The City will also continue to consider alternate forms of residential development, including various types of small-lot, single-family subdivisions; mobile home parks that allow owner-occupied spaces; senior citizen multifamily housing developments offering various degrees of care and assistance; mixed-use residential, office and commercial developments; and planned unit developments.

In an effort to encourage developers to pursue projects providing low- and moderate-income housing, California has provided regulations to govern the approval process, permitting greater density for affordable housing projects that include additional incentives to the developer. The City utilizes this Density Bonus Ordinance to encourage developers interested in additional density or incentives to

develop a portion of their market rate project as affordable to low- and moderate-income households to meet the state housing requirements.

Redevelopment funding was a critical tool that the City used to encourage and support the preservation and creation of affordable housing that primarily benefited low- and moderate-income households. The City will seek alternative funding from state and federal sources to make up for the shortfall caused by the dissolution of the jurisdiction's redevelopment agency by the state.

The City will continue to maintain policies and procedures to increase access to housing without LBP hazards. Funding is not provided until it is determined properties are free of LBP hazards. Types of properties covered include: a) federally-owned housing being sold; b) housing receiving a federal subsidy that is associated with the property, rather than with the occupants (project-based assistance); c) public housing; d) housing occupied by a family (with a child) receiving a tenant-based subsidy (such as a voucher or certificate); e) multifamily housing for which mortgage insurance is being sought; and, f) housing receiving federal assistance for rehabilitation, reducing homelessness, and other special needs.

Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards

Cathedral City is committed and will continue to eliminate lead-based paint hazards citywide particularly in homes occupied by low and moderate-income households. The City will collaborate with local agencies, HUD and the County of Riverside to provide information on health dangers of lead-based paint. The City will participate and support the regional lead-based poisoning prevention program administered through Riverside County, Department of Public Health. The objectives of this agency are as follows:

1. Educate the public about the dangers of lead through the creation and distribution of health education materials.
1. Assist Property Owners and Families in eliminating sources of lead from their homes through Lead Hazard Control Services and Incentives; required testing on homes built prior to 1978; and, visit homes identified as potential health risks to determine source of lead to educate parents on how to eliminate it.

The Riverside County Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP) program provides presentations about lead poisoning to the general community, schools, parent groups, healthcare providers, pregnant women, and others interested in learning more about lead. Presentations are available in both English and Spanish. The CLPPP provides free educational materials about lead poisoning, including topics such as sources of lead, reducing the risk of lead poisoning, pregnancy, and

nutrition. These materials are available upon request in both English and Spanish.

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP):

- Provide Medical Testing of children for lead poisoning on a sliding scale based on family income
- Assist parents in treating children identified with lead poisoning.

Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families

The City's anti-poverty strategy utilizes existing Riverside County job training and social service programs to increase employment marketability, household income, and housing options. Below are the City's goals for reducing the number of Poverty-Level Families within the City:

Goal #1: Continue to support and coordinate with public and private efforts aimed at preventing and reducing poverty level incomes.

Goal #2: Conduct outreach with public and private agencies whose mission is to reduce poverty level incomes.

The City will implement the above policies by increasing job opportunity through education and job training programs; collaborating with state, county and local agencies that offer trade skills training and basic job search techniques; encouraging local education facilities to offer education and training that will lead to employment opportunities in the community; and supporting job creation through business friendly policies and practices.

Actions planned to develop institutional structure

The Engineering Department serves as the lead agency for the CDBG Program in Cathedral City. Within the last two years, Engineering Staff has made an effort to attend as many workshops and training opportunities for programs and projects within its purview. Staying informed and abreast of new policy or changes to existing legislative policy will develop the institutional structure needed to better manage programs for offering the best services. These efforts also include coordination with local agencies and neighboring cities.

Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies

Provided below are specific actions that the City plans to take to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social agencies:

- The City will continue to foster and maintain relationships with other agencies to establish an institutional structure that maximizes its resources. The City's institutional structure will

consist of public agencies, for-profit agencies, and non-profit organizations.

- The City will continue to partners with Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board (IFHMB) to address fair housing needs.
- The City will continue to work with the County of Riverside to provide affordable housing opportunities to extremely-low and low-income renters in Cathedral City.
- The City will continue to work with the Continuum of Care (CoC) to address homeless issues.
- The City will also work with the agencies and internal departments listed in AP-38 to bridge any identified gaps in the service delivery system. We receive quarterly reports from the agencies and internal departments we fund about the ongoing services they provide.
- The City anticipates holding public meetings and workshops to provide and solicit input regarding needs of the community.

These efforts provide for regional collaboration to better serve our community and enhances coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies.

Discussion:

No discussion.

Program Specific Requirements

AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(l)(1,2,4)

Introduction:

Projects planned with CDBG funds expected to be available during the program year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Reference 24 CFR 91.220(l)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	0
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
Total Program Income:	0

Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	0.00%

The City did not accrue any program income.